

REMARKS

The December 23, 2004 Notice of Allowance allows claims 1-22. By this Amendment After Allowance, claim 17 is amended to correct a typographical error. No new matter is added.

This Amendment After Allowance is filed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.312 before the payment of the Issue Fee, amending claim 17 to correct a typographical error in the previous amendment to claim 17 in the December 1, 2004 Amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.111. Claim 17, as amended, is consistent with original claim 1, as claim 17 was amended in the December 1, 2004 Amendment into independent form by including the subject matter of original claim 1.

Applicant respectfully requests entry of the Amendment After Allowance without withdrawing the application from issue. Reconsideration, entry of the Amendment After Allowance, and prompt allowance are solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to enter the Amendment without withdrawing the application from issue, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,



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